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Dated 16th March 1921

My dear Sir

With reference to your demi-official letter No.206 of the 7th instant regarding the recommendation to give three months' notice and bonus to Dr. Smeeth, I note below the information asked for about the conditions under which Dr. Smeeth was placed on Special Duty and his extension of Service.

Special Duty.

Dr. Smeeth was placed on special duty from September 1919 on the reorganization of the Department of Mines and Geology. The Government Order on the subject (No.G.7101-60/G.M.69-18-12 dated 18th September 1919) has laid down that during the period of his special duty Dr. Smeeth's work will be mainly in connection with the Iron Scheme (Supply of Ore and Flux) and other special schemes of which he has made a special duty and that he will also act as Advisor to Government in regard to the Geology and Mining Departments.

In regard to the supply of Ore and Flux Dr. Smeeth was made responsible for the supply of sufficient quantities of these materials by the time smelting operations are started, that is, before 31st October 1921 as fixed in the programme for the Iron Scheme (Government Order No.12260-7/I. [illegible] dated 24th June 1919).

No other conditions are laid down as to his special duty.

Extension of Service.

At the suggestion of the Second Member of Council, Dr. Smeeth intimated in January 1920 the terms under which he was [illegible]

30th December 1920. The subject was considered in Council and as per orders of His Highness communicated with your demi-official letter No.353 dated 15th March 1920 Dr. Smeeth was informed that the terms proposed by him could not b accepted but that in consideration of his long service Government would raise his pay from Rs.1800 to Rs.2000 per mensem and continue his personal allowance also during the period of extension of service for one year from 30th December 1920. He finally accepted the offer and orders were issued accordingly. The extension of service granted to him expires on 31st December 1921.

As Dr. Smeeth's term has been extended to the end of December the Council have considered that before termanating his engagement he should be given three months' notice, and also a bonus equal to three months' pay, to compensate him for the loss of emoluments for about 6 months.

Yours sincerely
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